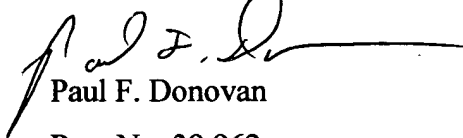


REMARKS:

The subject application was filed on November 14, 2003, claiming the benefit of a prior provisional application filed on March 17, 2003. The first paragraph of the application identified the prior provisional application as 60/456,301. It was recently observed that the prior provisional application is actually 60/455,301. This preliminary amendment is being filed to correct this obvious typographical error.

Should there be any questions that can be addressed and expedited by telephone conference, the Office is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul F. Donovan", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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